SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 515 By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend James Wilson Wilburn II, of Carthage on being named to the National High School Jazz Ensemble.

WHEREAS, many can read music and play an instrument, however few can give the notes warmth, depth and a range of motion, giving the music a life and a mood all its own; and WHEREAS, James Wilson Wilburn II is one such gifted musician, performing with unparalleled enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, it is with great honor that this General Assembly recognizes Jim's selection to participate in the 1998 National Grammy High School Jazz Ensemble in New York City; and WHEREAS, an accomplished tenor, Jim is one of only sixteen chorus members in the nation that will be performing in this distinguished group; and

WHEREAS, Jim Wilburn began his meritorious musical career at the ripe age of two, when he cut his first record with his grandparents, the Wilburn's Gospel Group; and

WHEREAS, a junior at Smith County High School, Jim Wilburn is on the Honor Roll, and participates in numerous organizations, including the Beta Club, SADD, the Yearbook Staff and the Chorus; and

WHEREAS, Jim Wilburn continues to demonstrate his musical capabilities by playing the snare drum in the high school marching and concert bands; and

WHEREAS, he also serves with acumen as a distinguished member of the mid-state

Honors Choir and Freshmen Honors Choir; and

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WHEREAS, performing with the utmost talent and precision, Jim and the Second to None quartet placed second in the Willard Scott Talent Search at Universal Studios in Florida; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, Jim Wilburn placed first at the Wilson County Talent Show; and WHEREAS, his countless accomplishments aside, Jim Wilburn is most appreciative of the love and support he receives from his proud parents, Kathy and Jimmy Wilburn, his grandparents, Jackie and Elaine Wilburn and Harold and June Cothron, his school and his community; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize such a truly talented and gifted artist as James Wilburn II, his outstanding contributions to music, and his exceptional achievements; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend James Wilson Wilburn II on his noteworthy accomplishments and congratulate him on being named to the National Grammy High School Jazz Ensemble.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we wish James Wilson Wilburn II every continued success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.